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La Plata
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	ryland		Charl	.es
CLASSIFIC				
CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESI	ENT USE
DISTRICT	PUBLIC	$\frac{X}{2}$ OCCUPIED	AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
XBUILDING(S)	X_PRIVATE	UNOCCUPIED	X_commercial	PARK
_STRUCTURE	вотн	WORK IN PROGRESS	EDUCATIONAL	PRIVATE RESIDENC
_SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	RELIGIOUS
_OBJECT	IN PROCESS	YES: RESTRICTED	GOVERNMENT	SCIENTIFIC
	BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED	INDUSTRIAL	TRANSPORTATION
		X_{NO}	MILITARY	OTHER
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CONDITION

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__RUINS
__UNEXPOSED

__ALTERED

__MOVED DATE____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Situated directly across the street from the La Plata Courthouse, the Carrico Building is the most physically prominent of La Plata's few remaining early buildings. Built as a hotel, the main block of the building is three-storys high beneath a hipped roof. The principal, north elevation is seven bays in width, the center bay occupied by a two-story, three sided bay cantilevered over the front door but visually supported by a one-story porch extending across the front and both ends of the building. The east end of the main block is four bays deep with transomed doors occupying the two center bays. There are three windows at each of the floor levels above. The west end is three bays wide on all three levels. The porch has block and turned posts, a wood platform and modest jig-sawn brackets, the last also used to decorate the eave cornice of the roof. The main entrance door, with over and side lights, occupies the center first floor bay. On the front slope of the roof is a large cross gable with a diamond shaped four pane window. At each end of the main roof is a hipped roof dormer.

Extending out from the rear wall and set back from the ends of the main block are two, two-story wings that give the building its "U"-shaped plan. Both are three bays wide at the first floor and four bays wide at the second. Doors occupy the center bay of the southeast wing and the third bay from the south end of the southwest wing. The southwest wing originally functioned as a kitchen at the first floor level and has a large interior chimney at the south end. Both have shed roofed extensions on their inside back walls. The windows of the wings frame sash of 6-over-6 panes while those of the main block are of 2-over-2 panes. The whole of the building is sheathed on the exterior with German (novelty) siding.

The interior of the Carrico Building remains essentially unaltered except for some minor conversions necessitated by its present use as professional offices on the first floor. A stair rises to the third floor from the south end of the center hall. The second and third floors had been partitioned into rooms of various sizes, some with communal doors to provide private suites. All of the woodwork is of a type characteristic of the buildings use and age.

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_1500-1599	AGRICULTURE	ECONOMICS	LITERATURE	SCULPTURE				
1600-1699	XARCHITECTURE	EDUCATION	MILITARY	_SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN				
_1700-1799	ART	ENGINEERING	MUSIC	THEATER				
1800-1899	COMMERCE	_EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	PHILOSOPHY	_TRANSPORTATION				
<u>X</u> 1900-	COMMUNICATIONS	INDUSTRY	POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	_OTHER (SPECIFY)				
		INVENTION						
SPECIFIC DAT	ES	BUILDER/ARC	BUILDER/ARCHITECT					

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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CITY OR TOWN		STATE	
	La Plata		Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST CONTINUATION SHEET Property. S. 301 SOUTH CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION STUDY Survey

Property Name: The Carrico Building Survey No.: CH-344 (PACS C115)

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Property Address 303 Charles Street, La Plata, Charles County	·
Owner Name/Address Carrico Building, Inc., P.O. Box 1684, La Plata, MD 20646	
	Year Built circa 1915

Description:

The Carrico Building was previously surveyed by the Charles County Planning Department; the date of the survey is unknown. Since the time of the survey, there have been no changes to the property. There is one building associated with the property which was not mentioned in the previous survey. The building is a 3-bay, 1-story office with an asphalt shingle, hipped-roof. Constructed circa 1950, the building has 6/1 windows and a 4-light wood door. The office is located a short distance south of the Carrico Building.

National Register Evaluation:

The Carrico Building, constructed circa 1915, was previously surveyed by the Charles County Planning Department; the date of the survey is unknown. The property is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C, as an intact example of a early twentieth century hotel with Folk Victorian detailing, including turned porch posts and jigsaw-cut brackets. The building has had minimal alterations, and is one of the few remaining historic buildings in downtown La Plata. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. Finally, the structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

The National Register boundaries of the Carrico Building follow the current property lines of 303 Charles Street (Charles County Tax Map 113, Parcel 96). This 0.38 hectare (0.94 acre) parcel is bounded on the north by Charles Street, on the west by St. Mary's Avenue, and on the east and south by an alley. The boundary includes the hotel and non-contributing office building, and is the parcel historically associated with the hotel.

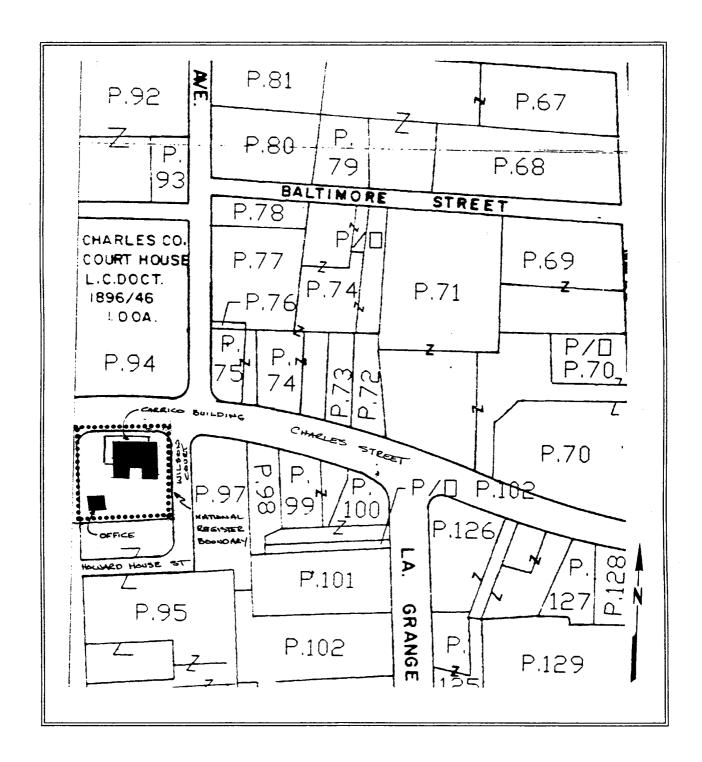
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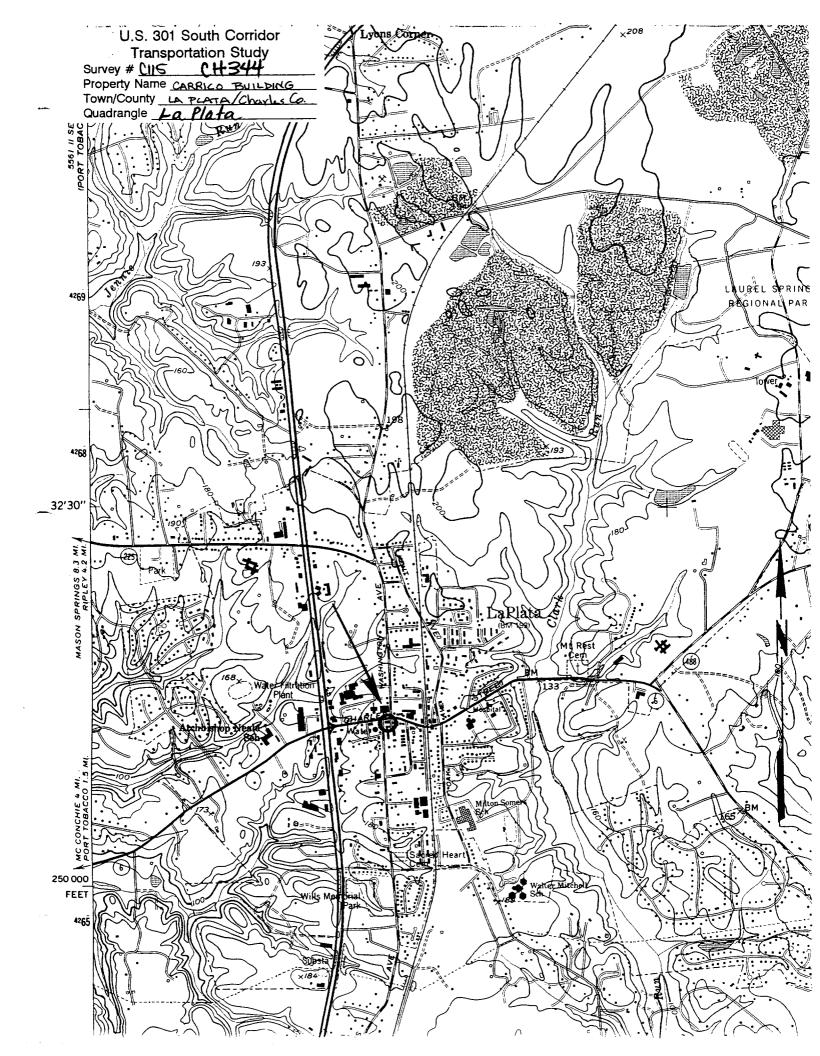
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Resource Sketch Map and National Register Boundary Map:



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